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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 2397**
Yuzo HAYASHI et al. : Docket No. 2004_0375A
Serial No. 10/796,211 : Group Art Unit 3751
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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of June 13, 2005, Applicant hereby elects Species A, which is illustrated in Figs. 1A-2D. Note, that claims 1-2 read on the elected species.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected species is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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